

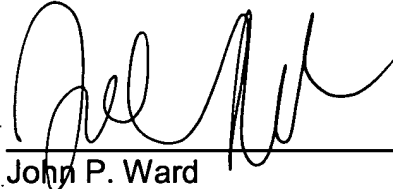
**REMARKS**

Consideration of the present application is respectfully requested. The specification has also been amended to claim priority from the parent application as indicated.

If there are any charges, please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2666.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 8/2, 2004

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John P. Ward", written over a horizontal line.

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